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Among those who have not received a COVID-19 vaccine, reasons for intending not to get a vaccine: January 2021 and September 2021

(Standard error)

Characteristic	January 2021	September 2021
Reasons why respondents probably or definitely do not intend to get a COVID-19 vaccine (January, n = 10,981; September, n = 4,341)		
Concerned about possible side effects	1.0	1.4
Plan to wait and see if it is safe and may get it later	0.8	1.4
Don't trust COVID-19 vaccines	0.8	1.3
Don't trust the government	1.0	1.4
Don't know if COVID-19 vaccine will work	0.6	na
Don't believe I need COVID-19 vaccine	0.7	1.4
Think other people need it more right now	0.7	na
Don't like vaccines	0.5	na
My doctor has not recommended it	0.5	0.8
Concerned about the cost of the COVID-19 vaccine	0.5	0.5
Don't know if a COVID-19 vaccine will protect me	na	1.2
Don't think COVID-19 is that big of a threat	na	1.1
It's hard for me to get a COVID-19 vaccine	na	0.6

na = not applicable; question was not asked.

n = number of survey responses.

Note(s):

Survey population includes those aged 18 years or older who reported not having received a COVID-19 vaccine and who responded that they probably or definitely did not intend to get a COVID-19 vaccine. Responses are to the following: Which of the following, if any, are reasons that you [only probably won't/definitely won't/are unsure about whether to] [get a COVID-19 vaccine/won't receive all required doses of a COVID-19 vaccine]? (Select all that apply).

Source(s):

U.S. Census Bureau, Household Pulse Survey, Phase 3, Week 23 (20 January-1 February 2021), and Phase 3.2, Week 37 (1-12 September 2021).

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